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FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO

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DEPARTMENT PASS SECDEF FOR UNDER SECRETARY ELLSWORTH ONLY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS SA EG

SUBJECT: NORTHROP RELATIONS WITH SAUDI ARABIA

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM TOM BERGER TO NORTHROP  
OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL HOWARD WILLENS AT 202-872-6000:

2. QUOTE. AMIR SULTAN, SAUDI MINISTER OF  
DEFENSE, LEFT FOR CAIRO EVENING I ARRIVED JIDDAH.  
COURTESY EMBASSIES HELP ARRIVED CAIRO NOON 3 JUNE AND  
HAD TWO HOUR MEETING WITH HELP COMMERCIAL OFFICER. SAUDI  
AMBASSADOR INTERPRETED. SULTAN LISTENED CAREFULLY AND  
READ TRIAD SECTION OF AUDIT REPORT WHICH EMBASSY JIDDAH  
TRANSLATED FOR ME. UPSHOT LONG MEETING HE INDIGNANT  
SENATE HEARINGS AND URGES SUSPENSION ON GROUNDS UNJUST  
BECAUSE IT DOES NOT GIVE TIME SAG MAKE OWN INVESTIGATION AND  
TAKE ACTION BEFORE POSSIBLE SCREAMING HEADLINES BLACKENING  
SAUDI GOVT AND ARMED FORCES REPUTATION.  
HE RAISED ELLSWORTH LETTER MOST FORCEFULLY AND I HAD  
DIFFICULTY KEEPING ON FIRST SUBJECT TO CONCLUSION.

3. VERY INDIGNANT MANNER ELLSWORTH LETTER WRITTEN AND HANDLED  
AT ONE TIME SPEAKING OF ABANDONING ALL PROCUREMENT THROUGH US  
DEPT OF DEFENSE DESPITE INVESTMENT NORTHROP PLANES. FINALLY  
ASKED WE MEET AGAIN TOMORROW WITH AMBASSADOR EILTS WHO RETURNED

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TONIGHT FROM SALZBURG. END QUOTE.

4. AMBASSAFOR WILL MEET WITH BARGER AND SAUDI AMBASSADOR  
NAZIR MORNING JUNE 4 AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DETAILS.  
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NOTE BY OC/T: NOT PASSED SECDEF.

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